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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: APPARATUS FOR PREPARING OXIDE THIN FILM AND METHOD FOR

PREPARING THE SAME

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

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